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Amendments to the Claims

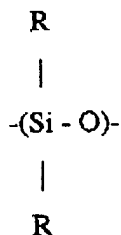
This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A granulated foam control composition comprising:

(i) a foam control agent comprising;

a polydiorganosiloxane fluid comprising units of the formula



where each group R, which may be the same or different, is selected from an alkyl group having 1 to 36 carbon atoms or an aryl group or aralkyl group having up to 36 carbon atoms, the mean number of carbon atoms in the groups R being at least 1.3;

a hydrophobic filler dispersed in the polydiorganosiloxane fluid; and

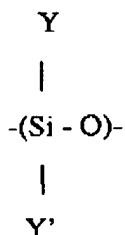
optionally an organosilicon resin; and

(ii) an additive composition having a melting point of at least 35°C comprising:

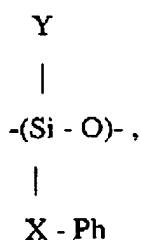
5-50 parts by weight of a glycerol triester ~~non-polar polyol ester~~ (A) which is a ~~polyol~~ esterified by carboxylate groups each having 7 to 36 carbon atoms, wherein ~~for a diol or a triol~~ at least 90% of the hydroxyl groups of the glycerol triester ~~polyol~~ are esterified, ~~and for higher polyols at least 70% of the hydroxyl groups of the polyol are esterified~~; and

50-95 parts by weight of a ~~component~~ mixture of monoesters and diesters of glycerol (B) which is miscible with component (A) and is more polar than component (A), at least one of (A) and (B) being miscible with the polysiloxane fluid wherein the foam control agent (i) and the additive composition (ii) are supported on a particulate carrier with the proviso that a mixture of (i) and (ii) is deposited onto the particulate carrier in non-aqueous liquid form.

2. (Previously presented) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the polydiorganosiloxane fluid is a polysiloxane comprising at least 10% diorganosiloxane units of the formula

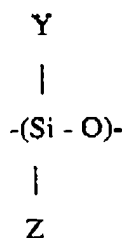


and up to 90% diorganosiloxane units of the formula

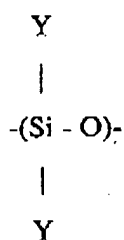


wherein X denotes a divalent aliphatic organic group bonded to silicon through a carbon atom; Ph denotes an aromatic group; Y denotes an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms; and Y' denotes an aliphatic hydrocarbon group having 1 to 24 carbon atoms with the proviso that the mean number of carbon atoms in the groups R is at least 1.3.

3. (Original) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the polydiorganosiloxane fluid is a polysiloxane comprising 50-100% diorganosiloxane units of the formula



and optionally up to 50% diorganosiloxane units of the formula



wherein Y denotes an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms and Z denotes an alkyl group having 6 to 18 carbon atoms.

4. (Canceled).

5. (Currently Amended) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that ~~the non-polar polyol ester~~ (A) is a glycerol triester ~~polyol~~ esterified by carboxylate groups each having 14 to 22 carbon atoms.

6. (Canceled).

7. (Currently Amended) A foam control composition according to Claim 16, characterized in that ~~the component (B) is a mixture of glycerol mono-esters or and di-esters of a carboxylic acid~~ glycerol having 8 to 30 carbon atoms.

8. (Currently Amended) A foam control composition according to Claim 7, characterized in that the additive composition comprises 10-50 parts by weight glycerol tristearate and 50-90 parts by weight glycerol monostearate and/or glycerol distearate.

9. (Canceled).

10. (Canceled).

11. (Canceled).

12. (Canceled).

13. (Canceled).

14. (Canceled).

15. (Canceled).

16. (Previously Presented) A foam control composition according to claim 1, characterized in that the organosilicon resin is a siloxane resin consisting of monovalent trihydrocarbonsiloxy (M) groups of the formula $R''_3SiO_{1/2}$ and tetrafunctional (Q) groups $SiO_{4/2}$ wherein R'' denotes an alkyl group and the number ratio of M groups to Q groups is in the range 0.4:1 to 1.1:1.

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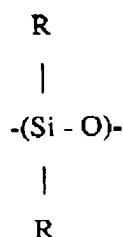
17. (Previously presented) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the hydrophobic filler has an average particle size of from 0.5 to 30 μ m.
18. (Previously presented) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the additive composition is present at 20-200% by weight based on the polysiloxane fluid.
19. (Canceled).
20. (Previously Presented) A granulated foam control agent according to Claim 1, characterized in that a water-soluble or water-dispersible binder is also supported on the particulate carrier.
21. (Canceled).
22. (Canceled).
23. (Canceled).

24. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a granulated foam control composition comprising:

mixing:

(i) a foam control agent comprising:

a polydiorganosiloxane fluid comprising units of the formula



where each group R, which may be the same or different, is selected from an alkyl group having 1 to 36 carbon atoms or an aryl group or aralkyl group having up to 36 carbon atoms, the mean number of carbon atoms in the groups R being at least 1.3;

a hydrophobic filler dispersed in the polydiorganosiloxane fluid; and
optionally an organosilicon resin;

and

(ii) an additive composition having a melting point of at least 35°C comprising:

5-50 parts by weight of a glycerol triester ~~non-polar polyol ester~~ (A) which is a ~~polyol~~ esterified by carboxylate groups each having 7 to 36 carbon atoms, wherein ~~for a diol or a triol~~ at least 90% of the hydroxyl groups of the glycerol triester ~~polyol~~ are esterified, ~~and for higher polyols at least 70% of the hydroxyl groups of the polyol are esterified~~; and

50-95 parts by weight of a ~~component~~ mixture of monoesters and diesters of glycerol (B) which is miscible with component (A) and is more polar than component (A), at least one of (A) and (B) being miscible with the polysiloxane fluid; and
depositing the mixture of (i) and (ii) on a particulate carrier with the proviso that the mixture of (i) and (ii) is in non-aqueous liquid form prior to depositing it onto the particulate carrier.